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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

The Oregon Presbyterian Synod will meet in Eugene July 23 to 26.

A meeting of Oregon tie manufacturers will be held in Eugene Saturday night.

Stock range near Pendleton is beginning to suffer considerably from the dry spell.

Fred Parkerson ended his life by suicide near Mist. Parkerson was to have reported for army duty.

Fees collected this year by Secretary of State Olcott for the registration of motor vehicles and chauffeurs total \$374,551.50.

That the pear and prune crops in Lane county will be the best in years is the prediction of C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector.

Practically all road work in Polk county has been abandoned for the season on account of the inability of the county court to hire men and teams.

Douglas county has closed a contract with J. H. Bagley for starting a cruise of privately owned timber lands for the purpose of ascertaining real values.

Homer C. Atwell, of Forest Grove, and C. A. Macrum, of Mosier, were re-appointed by the state board of control to membership on the state board of horticulture.

Authority has been granted by the federal reserve board for organization of the First National bank of St. Helena, and the new institution will be launched at once.

Miss Lila Dobelle of Corvallis was elected state Honor Guard leader to succeed Miss Lucille Danforth, at the annual convention of the Oregon State Honor Guard, held Saturday in Portland.

Extreme cost of operation and lack of business in the Willamette valley territory between Portland and Corvallis has compelled the Oregon City Transportation company to retire its steamers from the route.

Wheeler county is still leading all counties of the state in percentage of War Savings Stamps quota attained, with a showing of 34.1 per cent. Deschutes county is in second place with a percentage of 26.7.

Orlando A. Summers, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, will reach Portland Friday to approve plans made to date and lay out others for the 52d annual encampment of the Grand Army, which will be held in Portland August 19 to 23.

The custodian of alien enemy property has written to State Tax Commissioner Galloway asking him to take up with all the county assessors the matter of making a complete search of the assessment rolls to get a line on property and money owned by alien enemies in Oregon.

One of the most daring robberies and one which netted the largest haul negotiated in Josephine county in many years occurred five miles from Holland, about 45 miles southwest of Grants Pass, when two masked men held up R. Boswell and son, Robert, Jr., and secured \$6000 in money bullion.

During the past week 551 accidents were reported to the state industrial accident commission. Of this number, five were fatal, as follows: Lulu Cavin, Talent, trespasser, killed by train; John Menan, Astoria, sawmill; Frank Todd, Portland, shipbuilding; David Bradley, Astoria, sawmill; H. E. Olinghouse, Mill City, sawmill.

Senator McNary introduced an amendment to the rivers and harbors bill appropriating \$130,000 for deepening the inner harbor of Coos bay. This item was eliminated from the house bill, the senator now introducing the amendment as a war measure to facilitate the shipment of spruce lumber and piles from this district.

Robert Porty, sea lion hunter and fisherman, of Port Orford, is anticipating the murre egg season and has asked the government to suspend the law against taking the eggs. The eggs are twice the size of a hen's egg and have a somewhat fishy flavor. Thousands of dozens can be gathered from the rocky reefs at Rogue River and Port Orford.

The third Liberty loan was oversubscribed in Oregon by about \$6,500,000, or 35 per cent over the quota. The state has put about \$28,000,000 into the bonds of the third issue. The quota was \$18,495,000. Portland subscribed its quota one and a half times, or 350 per cent, its total subscription be-

ing, roughly, \$15,296,000, although its quota was only \$10,100,000.

Oregon may yet get an aeronautical school where birdmen for the army and navy will be trained to fly. A second government commission has arrived in Oregon to look over sites. The commission is now in eastern Oregon. Hermiston, Bend and Medford are among the cities which have asked to have sites inspected, and there are several other towns, principally along the O-W. R. & N. line in eastern Oregon, which are prepared to make strong cases to the government.

Four public schools in Portland have sold war savings stamps in excess of the \$20 per capita, required of every man, woman and child in Oregon if the state is to meet its \$17,000,000 quota before January 1, 1919.

Oregon has 9986 selected fighting men ready to answer calls to the colors. This is the total of Class 1 registrants remaining available for immediate active duty, according to compilations completed in the office of Captain J. E. Cullison, head of the selective service system in Oregon.

The first shipment of digitals collected in Oregon for the government has been shipped to the University of Minnesota, to be made into tincture. Dean Adolph Zieffe, of the Oregon Agricultural college pharmacy school, had charge of the supply. Children supplied 500 pounds of the plant and of this amount 85 per cent was gathered by the Astoria public school children.

George W. Klene, of Albany, has sent Senator Chamberlain a sample of manganese ore from a deposit discovered by Hart Bros., near the village of Detroit in the Elk Lake mining district. The manganese is greatly needed for war purposes and the attention of the proper government officials will be called to the matter with a view to having the same investigated and used if available.

Firms engaged in the fruit drying industry have been ordered by the government not to enter into contracts for the sale of their output prior to June 1. After that date all quotations on carload lots of dried apples, prunes, peaches and raisins must be filed with the national food administration. It is believed that these restrictions point to rather extensive orders for evaporated fruits from the government.

Lumber shipments from the Columbia river in April were unusually light. Statistics show that in the month 25 vessels loaded at the mills in the lower-river district and their combined cargoes totaled 20,128,950 feet of lumber. In the same period four vessels loaded 1,735,935 feet at the up-river mills, making a grand total of 21,864,885 feet of lumber shipped from the Columbia river in cargoes during April.

F. A. Ballin of Portland, designer of the Ballin type of wooden vessel, was notified that the government shipping board has adopted the Ballin type for use jointly with the Dougherty type in its proposed enlarged wooden ship program. The carrying capacity of the Ballin vessel is to be brought up to 5000 tons dead weight and the ships will be 323 feet in length over all. Two vessels of the Ballin type, the Mount Hood and the Mount Shasta, have recently been built at Portland.

The United States district court has confirmed the sale of the Rogue River Public Service corporation's properties in Jackson and Josephine counties to Newton W. Roundtree, of Portland, for a sum just sufficient to cover the court charges and subject to the bonded indebtedness. The holdings consist of a large acreage in the two counties and the power plants at Grants Pass and Gold Hill, with power lines and franchises with the two cities. The bondholders, aggregating the sum of over \$500,000, forced the concern into the hands of receivers last June.

Professor J. C. Hammond in charge of a United States naval observatory party, consisting of C. W. Wille, W. M. Conrad and L. G. Hoar, together with Professor S. A. Mitchell, director of the Leander McCormick observatory at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., who will supervise the spectroscopic work, have arrived in Baker and have begun their preparations for observation of the eclipse of the sun on June 8. They are the first of a number of parties expected from numerous universities and scientific institutions. A carload of apparatus to be used by them was shipped from Washington.

Washington. — With three well-placed shots the American steamer Tidewater disposed of an enemy submarine March 17, the navy department announced. The second shot was a "clean hit" on the U-boat, the Tidewater's commander reported.

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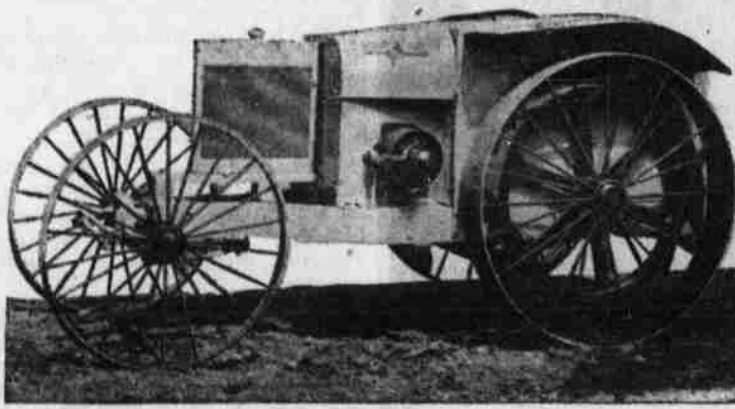
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CASH IN ADVANCE

The Leader has gone to a cash-in-advance basis, and after its issue of May 17, 1918, no papers will be mailed that are not paid for in advance. No exception will be made, as we can make none and be fair to all. We will appreciate the co-operation of our good friends and patrons in establishing the only subscription policy that is just alike to subscriber and publisher. We wish to point out that we have not raised our rate—which continues at \$1.50 per year, 75c for six months, 50c for four months—even though, measured by the comparative value of a dollar, we are getting only about half as much for our paper as we received in pre-war times.

CLARK WOOD, Publisher.

WHITE PLAGUE KILLS MORE MEN THAN BULLETS

It seems longer, but it was less than four years ago that the nations had not yet started in to wipe each other off the map and that the only times when one heard of the Red Cross were times of flood or disaster and at Christmas time, when the peaceful little Red Cross tuberculosis seals made their annual appearance.

Perhaps, in fact, it was the long, ardent fight in America against the White Plague which, in spite of the war's enormous new demands, is responsible for the special interest being taken by the American Red Cross in France's frightful struggle against consumption. This scourge seems to mark the trench fighter for its own. It kills more men than 40 bullets and poison gas combined. Until the American Red Cross was permitted by the French government to start its drive against tuberculosis it looked as if, even with a victory over the Hun, France might eventually be conquered by this deadly foe.

Already things are looking brighter. The Red Cross has taken over old hospitals and built new ones. More than 300 tuberculosis dispensaries are to be opened throughout the country, and Red Cross doctors and nurses—scores of them—are devoting themselves exclusively to this fight, doing over there exactly the same kind of work which is financed in America by the little Christmas seals. It is one of the ways in which by our contributions to the Red Cross America can repay her debt to France.

FOOD ADMINISTRATION FACTS

One ounce less of meat each day for everyone means a saving of 4,400,000 meat animals a year. Save your ounce. The sacrifice is small, but the result for your country is large.

1,185,000 tons of sugar will be saved the first year if each of us uses one ounce less each day. This will keep sugar plentiful and cheap.

The Allies are all in the same boat, a long way from shore and on limited rations—and Uncle Sam is running the relief ship. It's up to us to save the cargo.

Reduction, Production—the 1918 watchwords.

Food will win the war. Save it. Produce it.

If you run your household on three pounds of sugar a month per person, when fall comes the grocer won't have to hang up the sign "No Sugar."

The second helping is getting to be bad form.

The Huns were checked again.

SEVENTEEN MILLION BUY LIBERTY BONDS

Indications Are That One Out of
Every Six Persons in U. S.
Participated in Loan.

Washington. — Analysis of liberty loan reports showed that probably 17,000,000 persons bought bonds in the campaign which closed Saturday—7,000,000 more than in the second loan and 12,500,000 more than in the first. The treasury now believes the actual total, which may run to \$4,000,000,000, will not be definitely known until May 12.

"Whatever the money total," said a treasury statement, "the loan just closed probably is the most successful ever floated by any nation. The marvelous distribution of the third liberty loan indicates that one out of every six persons in the United States may have participated in this loan."

Banks' resources, it was pointed out, have been drawn on comparatively little and the prospects for future loans are brighter as a consequence. An added reason for jubilation was the indication that the government bond-buying habit is becoming stronger among people of small means.

Far western states report subscribers as follows: California, \$24,462; Washington, 150,312; Oregon, 95,695; Idaho, 56,500.

ARMY BILL PROVIDES FOR THREE MILLION

Washington. — Congress began this week with interest centered upon the army increase programme, which furnishes probably the last really big task to be disposed of before adjournment, planned for about July 1.

A re-draft of the record-breaking army appropriation bill, carrying \$15,000,000,000 to provide for an army of 3,000,000 men during the coming year, was laid before the house military committee. Some opposition is expected in both senate and house to the administration plan to limit the nation's armed forces only to capacity for equipping, training and transporting them, but leaders of both parties now believe the blanket power will be granted.

Protracted controversy in the senate over the addition bill to severely penalize disloyal acts and utterances and interference with liberty loan sales and the army draft, ended in adoption of the conference report on the measure by a vote of 48 to 26.

The bill was initiated a year ago, and provides maximum penalties of 20 years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine or both for a wide variety of disloyal acts.

PASSPORT BILL IS PASSED

Permits to be Required to Leave or Enter U. S.

Washington. — The house passed the administration bill requiring all persons entering the United States to have a government permit and giving the president broad powers in restricting entrance to and exit from American ports.

The bill now goes to the senate.

An attempt to amend the bill to exempt American citizens going to Canada and Canadian citizens coming to the United States from being required to have permits was defeated, as was a proposal to limit its provisions to persons leaving the country.

Chairman Flood, of the foreign affairs committee, told the house that President Wilson and the departments of state and justice had indorsed the measure.

U. S. Air Squadron Routs Germans.

With the American Army in France. — In a desperate air fight over the American line northwest of Toul Chas. W. Chapman, Jr., of Waterloo, Ia., and a German pilot with whom he was fighting plunged to earth inside the German lines, both their machines wrapped in flames. Five American pilots, in fast pursuit machines, were patrolling over the American lines, when they encountered a German formation of an equal number of airplanes and promptly attacked and chased the enemy machines back over their territory, but all of them escaped. Four American machines returned safely.

High school play tonight.